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Honorable Tribal Chairperson and Council Members:

The California Department of Water Resources formally invites you to a Tribal engagement scoping workshop to launch the preparation of the California Water Plan Update 2013. The workshop will be held September 9, 2010, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Library and Courts II Building, 900 N Street, Room 340, in downtown Sacramento. Your participation will help us integrate California Native American Tribal information and Tribal perspectives into the Water Plan, which in turn will educate policy-makers, increase Tribal participation in water planning throughout California, and ultimately address complex issues like those identified during the 2009 California Tribal Water Summit.

The Tribal workshop will review the accomplishments of Update 2009, introduce the key components of Update 2013, and review the process for developing the Update 2013 plan. The enclosed proposal for Tribal involvement in this process will also be discussed, which includes convening for the first time a Tribal Advisory Committee. A copy of the final Update 2009 Highlights is also enclosed for your reference.

I encourage you to attend this Tribal workshop or send someone on behalf of your Tribe. Participants should please RSVP to Virginia Sajac by close of business on Friday, September 3, 2010, to ensure adequate space and materials. Lunch will be available for \$10 (State agencies cannot purchase food). Please let Virginia know if you would like to purchase lunch and have any special dietary needs. Travel reimbursement is not available for this meeting. However, the forms and guidelines for being eligible for future meeting reimbursement will be available at the workshop.

Additional workshop materials will be available online approximately ten days before the workshop, at <http://www.waterplan.ca.gov/tribal2>. The presentations at the workshop will be recorded and posted online for those who cannot attend in person. If you cannot attend in person we would appreciate your written comments on the enclosed proposal by October 1, 2010 to: Lewis Moeller, Chief, Water Resources Evaluation Section, California Department of Water Resources, P.O. Box 942836, Sacramento, California 95436-0001 or [lmoeller@water.ca.gov](mailto:lmoeller@water.ca.gov).

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If you have any questions, please contact Lewis Moeller by email or at (916) 653-5666.  
I look forward to your Tribe's participation in this important start to the Water Plan  
Update 2013 effort.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark W. Cowin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Mark W. Cowin  
Director

Enclosures